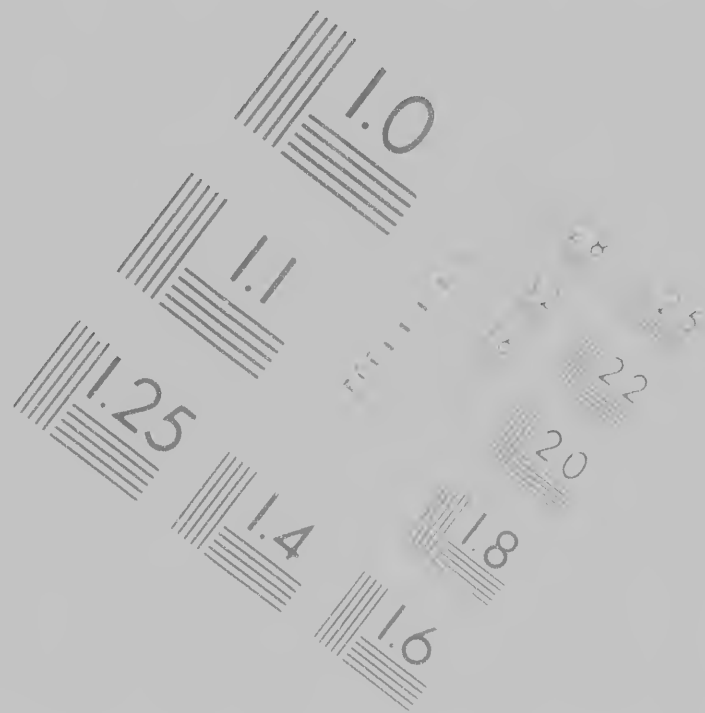


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A PROCLAMATION

Declaring the Cessation of Arms, as well by Sea as by Land,
between the United States of America and His Britannic Majesty, and

WHEREAS Provisional Articles were signed at Paris, on the Thirtieth Day of November last, between the United States of America, for treating of Peace, and the Minister Plenipotentiary of His Britannic Majesty, and the said Provisional Articles were ratified by the United States of America, and His Britannic Majesty, and whereas Preliminary Articles for restoring Peace between the said King of Great-Britain and the King of Spain were signed at Versailles, on the Twentieth Day of January last, by the Ministers of their Most Christian and Britannic Majesties, and whereas the said Preliminary Articles were ratified by the said King of Great-Britain, and the King of Spain, and

By which said Preliminary Articles it hath been agreed, that so soon as the said Articles were ratified, all Hostilities, should cease in all Parts of the World; and that all Vessels and privateers, should be permitted to pass freely, and without any Molestation, in the Mediterranean Sea, and North Seas as far as the Canary Islands inclusively, whether in the Ocean or in the Mediterranean Sea, and in the Atlantic Ocean, from the Tropic of the Equator; and lastly, Five Months in all other Parts of the World, without any Exception; and whereas it was declared, by the Minister Plenipotentiary of the King of Great-Britain, in the Twentieth Day of January last, that the said United States of America, their Subjects and their Arms, at the same Epochs, and in the same Manner, as the Three Crowns above mentioned, should be permitted to pass freely, and without any Molestation, in the said Seas, and in the Name of the United States of America, a similar Declaration shall be delivered, and containing an Assurance of the said United States of America, on their Part; And whereas the

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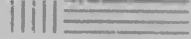
as by Land, agreed upon between the United
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of America and His Britannic Majesty, when Terms of Peace should be agreed upon be-
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also signed at London on the same Twentieth Day of January last.

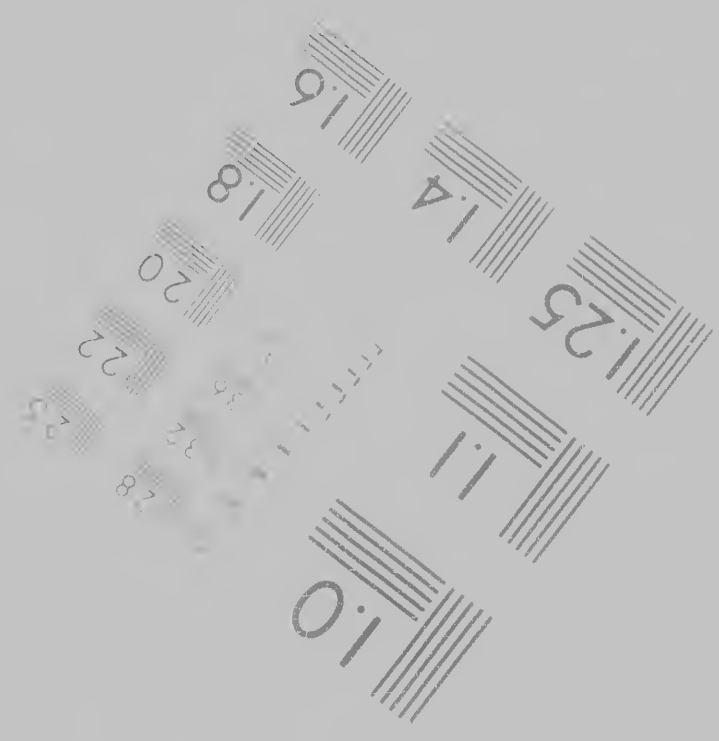
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Treaty, that all Vessels and Effects that might be taken in the Channel and in the North Seas,
ary Articles, should be restored; that the Term should be One Month from the Channel
Mediterranean; Two Months from the said Canary Islands as far as the Equino-
World, without any Exception, or more particular Description of Time or Place: And
Great Britain, in the Name and by the express Order of the King his Master, on the said

their Subjects and their Possessions, shall be comprised in the above mentioned Suspension of
as above mentioned, their Subjects and Possessions respectively: upon Condition that, on

shall be delivered, expressly declaring their Assent to the said Suspension of Arms,
And whereas the Ministers Plenipotentiary of the United States did, on the same



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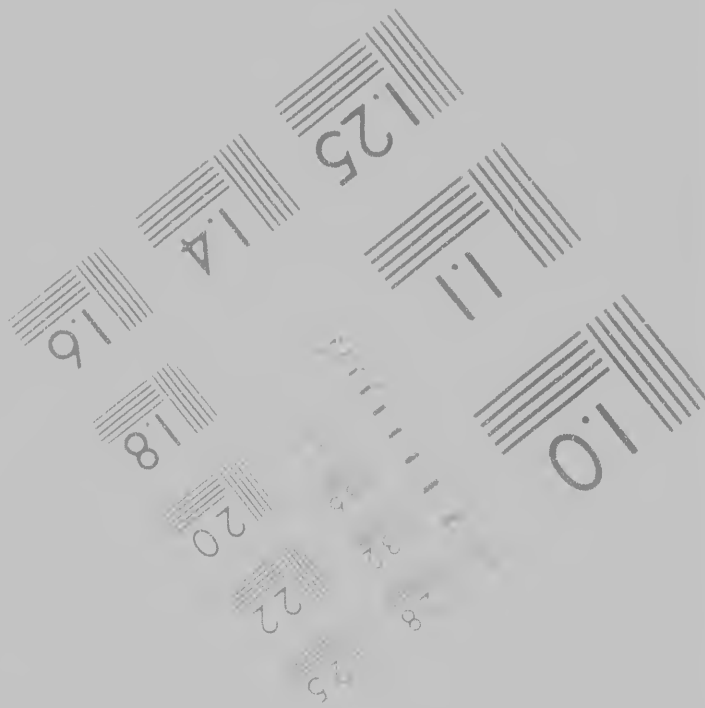


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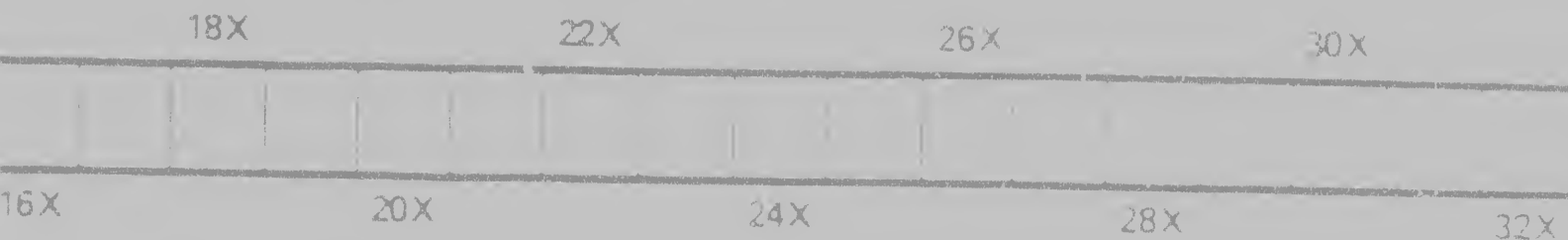
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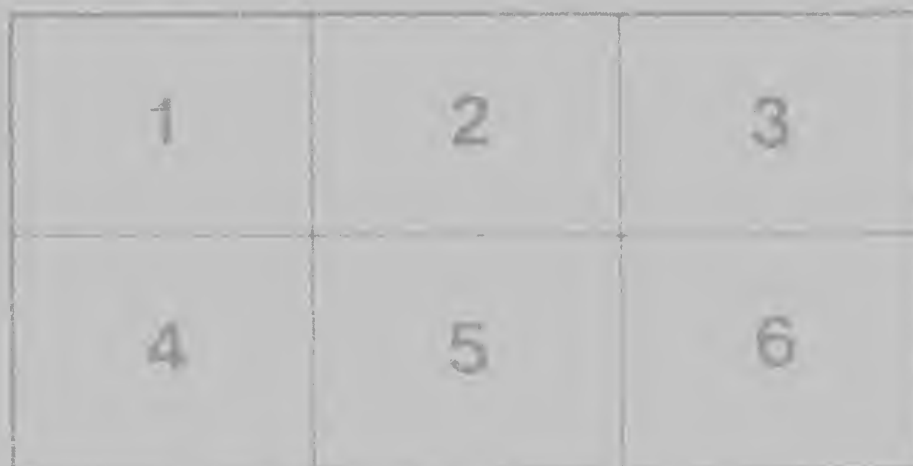
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the Part and in the Name of the United States of America, a similar Declaration shall be delivered
and containing an Assurance of the most perfect Reciprocity on their Part: And whereas the
Twentieth Day of January, in the Name and by the Authority of the said United States, accept
all Hostilities to cease against His Britannic Majesty, his Subjects and his Possessions, or the Territories
Great-Britain, His Majesty the King of France, and His Majesty the King of Spain, so as
Three Crowns, and to produce the same Effects: And whereas the Declarations of the said Pro
cesses were exchanged by their Ministers on the Third Day of February last, and between His
bruary last: And whereas it is Our Will and Pleasure, that the Cessation of Hostilities
should be conformable to the Epochs fixed between their Most Christian and Britannic

We have thought fit to make known the same to the Citizens of these States, and We have
Land, and other Subjects of these United States, to observe all Acts of Hostility, either by
and after the respective Times agreed upon between their Most Christian and Britannic

And We do further declare, that the same shall be made public, to the End that the same may be duly observed

DONE in Congress, at Philadelphia, the 25th Day of
Seven Hundred and Eighty-eight, and of the Independence of these United States the 12th

Attest. **CHARLES THOMSON**, Secretary

State of **RHODE ISLAND**

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...shall be delivered, expressly declaring their Assent to the said Suspension of Arms,
...: And whereas the Minister Plenipotentiary of the United States has, on the same
... United States, accept the said Declaration, and desires that the said States should cause
... Possessions, at the Terms and Epochs agreed upon between His said Majesty the King of
... King of Spain, so and in the same Manner as has been agreed upon between those
... Articles of the said Preliminary Articles between their Most Christian and Britannic Ma-
... and between His Britannic Majesty and the King of Spain on the Ninth Day of Feb-
... Cessation of Hostilities between the United States of America and His Britannic Majesty
... Britannic Majesties:

... and We hereby strictly charge and command our Officers, both by Sea and
... Land, that they do not permit any of our Subjects, from
... to be admitted to the same.

... at the City of New York, the 17th Day of April, in the 10th Year of the said King's Majesty.

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